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Subject: RE: tribal consultation request on upcoming NPDES permits
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Hi Jenny --

Thanks for reaching out to me on this. Generally (but not always) on projects that are this technical/regulatory in nature, the Tribe would prefer to engage on the technical level rather than in govt-to-govt consultation, unless/until a major policy or political problem comes up. Therefore, we don't plan to ask for formal consultation, but we certainly appreciate continued updates and the chance to engage on the technical level.

Please let me know if you have any other information for us down the road.

Thank you,

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From: Wu, Jennifer <Wu.Jennifer@epa.gov>
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Subject: tribal consultation request on upcoming NPDES permits

Hi Lindsay,

I'm just writing to check in with you about EPA's tribal consultation request on the upcoming NPDES permits for federal dams on the Lower Columbia and Snake Rivers. We sent a letter in early October requesting that the Grand Ronde Tribes let us know if they were interested in tribal consultation by October 31, 2018. I had not heard anything. If you believe the Grand Ronde Tribes is interested in tribal consultation on the dams, please feel free to let me know. I'll continue to keep you updated on the progress of the permits regardless of whether the Grand Ronde Tribes is interested in formal consultation.

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